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FOLLOWING REPEAT LONDON 00704 ACTION SECSTATE 13 JAN 79

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S E C R E T LONDON 00704

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TAGS: MNUC, PARM, SF

SUBJECT: NEXT STEPS ON SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR PROBLEMS

REF: STATE 9389

1. AS INSTRUCTED, WE WENT OVER TALKING POINTS IN REFTEL

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JANUARY 13 WITH CHRISTOPHER MALLABY, HEAD OF FCO ARMS
CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT DEPARTMENT. AFTER THANKING US
FOR KEEPING HMG UP TO DATE, MALLABY SAID THAT BRITISH
INVOLVEMENT MIGHT AGAIN BE APPROPRIATE AFTER US-SAG
TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS BUT BEFORE WASHINGTON-PRETORIA
POLITICAL TALKS WHICH MIGHT SEE SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM.
SPECIFICALLY, UK CONTRIBUTION TO PROCESS COULD BE LETTER

FROM OWEN OR CALLAGHAN, WHICH WOULD INDICATE TO SOUTH AFRICANS THAT UK KNEW OF TECHNICAL EXCHANGES, HOPED THAT US-SAG POLITICAL LEVEL TALKS WOULD LEAD TO RESOLUTION OF NUCLEAR PROBLEM, SOUTHAFRICAN RATIFICATION OF THE NPT, AND EARLY INTERNATIONAL SAFEGUARDS AT VALINDABA. MALLABY CONCLUDED THAT HE TRUSTED WASHINGTON WOULD KEEP IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH HMG SO THAT BRITISH COULD BE HELPFUL AT THE PROPER TIME.

2. DEPARTMENT PLEASE REPEAT PARIS, BONN AND PRETORIA.

BREWSTER
UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER".

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